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Jobless rates down in 111 counties from July 2009 to July 2010

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EDITOR'S NOTE: July's preliminary and June's revised county unemployment rate charts are posted at <http://workforce.ky.gov/July10charts.pdf>. Acrobat Reader is required to view charts. To download Acrobat Reader, please see the end of this news release.

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Aug. 25, 2010) — Unemployment rates fell in 111 Kentucky counties between July 2009 and July 2010, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Boyd County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the Commonwealth at 7.7 percent. They were followed by Fayette and Oldham counties, 7.8 percent each; Calloway County, 7.9 percent; Clinton County, 8 percent; Woodford County, 8.1 percent; Hancock and McCracken counties, 8.4 percent each; and Carlisle, Franklin, Madison and Webster counties, 8.5 percent each.

Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 18.1 percent. It was followed by Jackson County, 16.2 percent; Metcalfe County, 15.5 percent; Menifee County, 15.4 percent; Wolfe County, 14.1 percent; Lewis County, 13.9 percent; Marion County, 13.8 percent; Powell County, 13.6 percent; Clay, Grayson, Morgan and Nelson counties, 13.4 percent each.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working.

Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted to allow for comparisons between United States, state and county figures.

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